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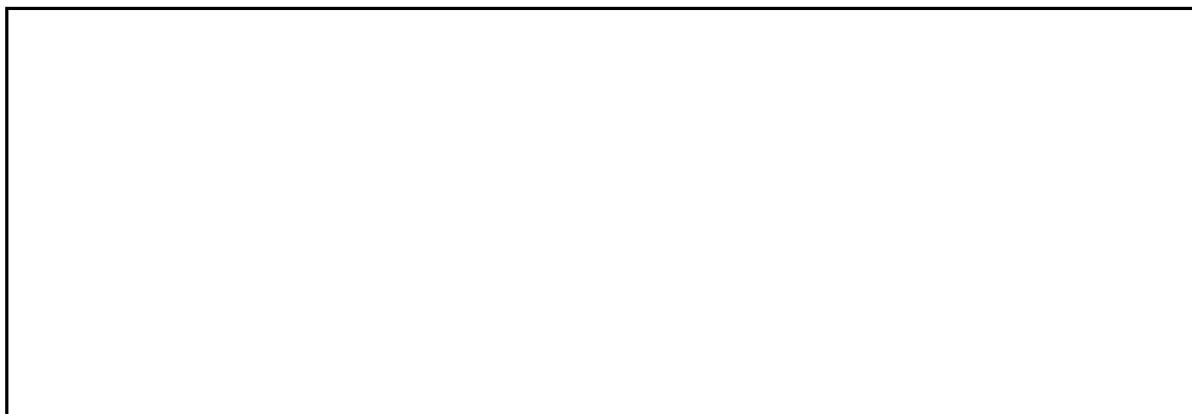
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25X1 Somalia: The Somalis apparently have decided to release the US-owned oil exploration ship and its crew. Foreign Secretary Arteh has told the

25X1 [redacted] that the Midnight Sun would be released, but he did not indicate when this will take place. Arteh did not reveal if any conditions will have to be met before the ship can leave. The Somali Government has not directly informed US officials in Mogadiscio of its intentions, but may do so today when the US ambassador is scheduled to meet with Arteh.

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